PAYING TRIBUTE TO MR. WADE BRUNSMANN

HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 21, 1997

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I want to ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Mr. Wade Brunsmann, who was selected by the East-West Gateway Coordinating Council in the St. Louis Metropolitan Region to receive their Achievement Award in 1996.

I have known Wade for many years, through our joint service on the St. Clair County Board. Wade is a dedicated public servant; he is a Navy veteran of World War II, and has served on the county board since 1954, except for an 8-year gap. He is also an outstanding family man, married and the father of four grown children and five grandchildren. He is the retired owner/operator of Brunsmann's Heating and Refrigeration Service.

Wade Brunsmann has been a leader in the St. Clair County region. He currently serves as chairman of the County Board's environmental committee, and has served as such for the past 7 years. He has been an aggressive leader on zoning, land use, and landfill issues for all citizens. He also serves as a volunteer with Belleville Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons, is a member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church and is an active and outstanding member of the Democratic Party.

Of course, for all of these contributions and his overall dedication to serving the public, East-West Gateway awarded him with their Achievement Award. I fully agree, and ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him on this fine recognition.

HONORING PIKESVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

HON. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CARDIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company on its 100th anniversary.

It all began on February 4, 1897 when a group of local citizens met for the first time to discuss the need for organized fire protection, they met at the Odd Fellow's Hall. During this meeting, the group nominated several names for the fire company, The Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company won the election by an overwhelming margin of 23 to 6. The following year, a fire hall was built and a community wide dedication celebrated its opening.

Known as the company of first, the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company is a leader in volunteer fire protection. Its members are made up of both civilian and military personnel. In fact, each year, a memorial service honors members of the Fire Company who served their country as well as their commu-

Today, their membership roll is over 150 (a third of whom are active service) which provides enough manpower to keep the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company responsive to the thousands of calls each year from the community.

I hope my colleagues will join me in extending congratulations to the Pikesville Volunteer Fire Company in celebrating its 100-year history in Baltimore County, and in thanking these volunteers for contributing to the growth and safety of the Pikesville community.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH INAUGURATED

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to express my best wishes to Secretary James Howell, M.D. MPH, and Executive Administrator Annie R. Neasman, R.N., M.S., as they assume the leadership of the State of Florida's new Department of Health.

The Florida Legislature voted in 1996 to create the Florida Department of Health as a separate entity. The legislature charged the Secretary and staff with promoting and protecting the health and safety of all Florida residents and visitors in partnership with county governments.

On February 3, Secretary Howell and the Florida Department of Health staff in Dade County will gather at Miami Dade Community College Wolfson Center with their local partners to inaugurate the department.

I congratulate them on this day as they embark on their mission to make Florida healthier. I know that under the leadership of Secretary Howell and Administrator Neasman, their dedicated staff and their community partners will rise to the many challenges ahead.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO IRWIN ROSENBERG

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 21, 1997

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Irwin Rosenberg, who for the past 8 years has played Santa Claus at the Pacoima Community Youth Culture Center's Christmas party. I have not met many Santas named Rosenberg; then again, I have not met many people like Irwin. A successful businessiman, Irwin somehow finds the time to remain active in many organizations and on behalf of numerous causes. Like few others, he is there for his community.

Irwin is irrepressible. Not only does he immerse himself in outside activities, more often than not he ends up in a leadership role. For example, he is the past president of the Granada Hills Little League; past president and past chairman of the Government Relations Committee, San Fernando Chamber of Commerce; commissioner of the Los Angeles County Private Industry Council; and senior vice-chairman of the board of directors of New Directions for Youth. There is hardly a sector of the San Fernando Valley that has not been the recipient of Irwin's time and efforts.

In honor of his many charitable and civic contributions, Irwin has been the recipient of numerous awards. In 1989, he was given the

California Association of Physically Handicapped's Humanitarian of the Year Award; in 1990, he was named Kiwanian of the Year (San Fernando); 2 years later he received the J. Leo Flynn Citizen of the Year Award from the San Fernando Chamber of Commerce.

Of all his civic and professional duties, I know that nothing gives Irwin more pleasure than being Santa to many underprivileged kids every year at the PCYCC Christmas party. He is every bit as happy to see the kids as they are to see him.

I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Irwin Rosenberg, whose tireless work in the community is a shining example to us all. I am proud to be his friend.

THANK YOU DR. MALEEHA LODHI

HON. MATTHEW G. MARTINEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 21, 1997

Mr. MARTINEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise on behalf of my colleagues and myself to place in the RECORD a bipartisan statement of appreciation for the outgoing Ambassador of Pakistan, Dr. Maleeha Lodhi, who is returning home shortly after completion of her tenure as Ambassador to the United States of America.

Ambassador Lodhi worked with dedication and resolve to strengthen the traditional friendship between the United States and Pakistan, paving the way for greater cooperation between our two nations. Through her untiring efforts, significant progress has been made towards redefining United States-Pakistan relations in the post-cold-war period.

In our interaction with Ambassador Lodhi, we always found her to be a highly persuasive advocate of her country in a forthright and objective spirit. We admire her commitment to democracy, freedom, and human rights, qualities that created a common bond with us.

Both the United States and Pakistan have been served with distinction by Ambassador Lodhi and we wish her the very best for the future.

TRIBUTE TO TWO IMPORTANT AMERICAN PATHOLOGY ORGANI-ZATIONS

HON, GERALD D. KLECZKA

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 21, 1997

Mr. KLECZKA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to two outstanding organizations, the College of American Pathologists (CAP) and the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP). This year, CAP will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary, and ASCP will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary.

Dr. Rob Mckenna, who is the President of ASCP, and Dr. Ray Zastrow, the current CAP President and a good friend, have led these organizations with the help of their many members through a long history of protecting patients by providing high quality laboratory and patient care. ASCP is the largest organization of pathologists and medical technologists in the world, and CAP is the largest